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STAMFORD DOWNTOWN SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT APPOINTS MICHAEL MOORE AS NEW PRESIDENT





David Kooris and Michael Moore

Stamford Downtown is pleased to announce the appointment of Michael Moore as its new President. Moore, having served as the Vice President of Operations at Stamford Downtown since 2017, will succeed David Kooris, who is transitioning back to a statewide role. Kooris will now be the Executive Director of the state's Municipal Redevelopment Authority, a quasi-public agency that will provide support to Connecticut towns and cities to build economic development and transit-oriented development to encourage increased housing opportunities in walkable neighborhoods and near transit.

In his role as President, Moore will oversee the strategic direction and daily operations of Stamford Downtown, playing a pivotal role in the continued enhancement and promotion of Stamford's vibrant Downtown district. Moore is committed to fostering a vibrant Downtown economy while ensuring Stamford Downtown is a welcome environment for residents, visitors and investors alike.

Moore brings a wealth of experience to his new position, having served in a leadership role within Stamford Downtown for almost seven years and for the six years prior to that as President/CEO of the Downtown Special Services District in Bridgeport, Connecticut. Before his time in Bridgeport, Mike held a variety of program and project management responsibilities with the Norwalk Redevelopment Agency and the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development.

Moore's appointment comes at a pivotal time for Stamford Downtown as it continues to navigate challenges and opportunities in the evolving economic landscape facing downtowns large and small. Michael will continue to advance the policies and programs that have built resilience in the downtown and positioned the city's central neighborhood for prosperity long into the future.

LOCAL ARTISTS HELP ENSURE PEDESTRIANS CROSS SAFELY AND IN STYLE





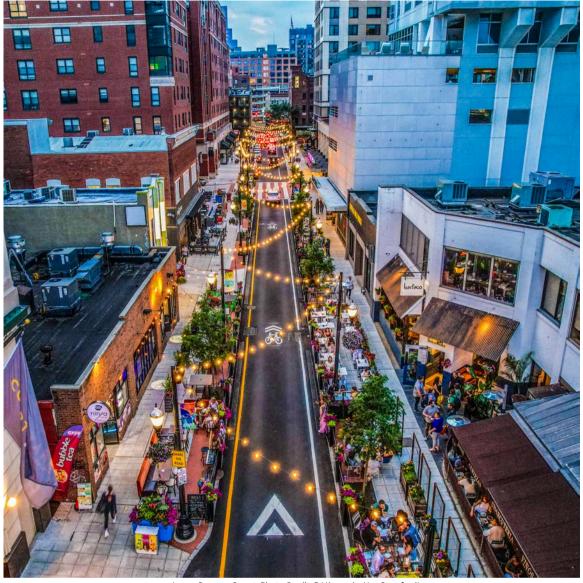


This past spring, Stamford Downtown in partnership with the City of Stamford issued an RFP for a public art mural project at the Bedford Street Garage (17 Forest Street) and the crosswalk connecting the garage and the Bedford Street Passageway (189 Bedford Street). A committee selected Stamford artist Lauren Clayton's design of All Walks of Life and the painting process has already begun!

Bedford Street and the adjacent surface and garage parking resources are amid a period of positive change. Expanded outdoor dining on Bedford Street means more people are parking behind than in front of this restaurant row. To make the garage more attractive, the City of Stamford is nearing completion of a multi-million dollar investment in that public facility that has resulted in a series of repairs that have improved lighting and visibility. The City has also worked with Downtown stakeholders to redesign the lot to improve the motorist and pedestrian experience with better traffic floors, landscaping, lighting, and signage. Additionally, the redevelopment of 128 Broad Street to a 194-unit residential building with 4,300+ square feet of retail space is on track to break ground this summer. With all this change, the City and Stamford Downtown want to make using the garage, with plenty of spaces, as attractive as possible. We realized that not everyone is aware that there's a direct walking path from the garage to the Bedford Street scene.

All Walks of Life, as it is referred to is an extra special project for Clayton because she is collaborating with talented local artists, Tara Blackwell, Alissa Siegel, Bry Isriel, Mike Bazelais, Weverson Ponte, and Byron Soza. Many of whom are from Stamford.

The wall mural at the exit of the Bedford Street Garage will be painted with iconic crosswalk figures. Each figure will be linked hand-to-hand and painted by a different artist. The second crosswalk mural to be painted by Clayton and Soza will depict a variety of familiar traffic figures and wildlife including a deer, goose, dog, seagull, and of course a chicken. The mural project is due to be completed by the end of July. Click here to learn more about the project and its artists.



Lower Summer Street. Photo Credit: PJ Kennedy, Hey Stamford!

Lower Summer Street Promenade Now Open

The Lower Summer Street Promenade is completed and ready for visitors!

The project's goal was to transform the roadway into a more pedestrian friendly space that allows for expanded outdoor dining and an enhanced pedestrian realm.

For more information, see the project's web page.

STAMFORD DOWNTOWN ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE & AMBASSADOR SERVICES - JUNE STATISTICS









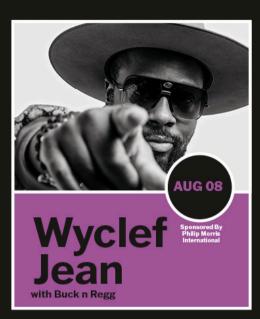












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STAMFORD DOWNTOWN SUMMER EVENTS





SUMMER

2024

Through September ArtNORMOUS
Outdoor Sculpture Exhibit

Various Dates through September 6:30 PM Trivia Night Veterans Memorial Park

Various Dates through September 6 PM Painting with Pinot's Palette Columbus Park

Saturdays Through October 9 AM - 2 PM

Farmers Market Veterans Memorial Park

Thursdays through September 6 PM - 8 PM

Street Beats Various Locations

Through September Free Fitness Classes
Latham Park & Veterans Memorial Park

Saturdays through September 14 1 PM - 3 PM

Open Play Chess Latham Park

July 18 6:30 PM Orchestra Lumos Brass Quintet Veterans Memorial Park

July 25, August 1 & 8 Alive At Five Mill River Park

August 2 7 PM Legends of the 60's Mill River Park

October 5 3 PM - 5:30 PM WineFest on Bedford Latham Park

August 19 -September 2

Summer Restaurant Weeks Participating Restaurants

September 14 10 AM - 6:30 PM Arts & Crafts on Bedford Bedford Street

October 5 3 PM - 5:30 PM

WineFest on Bedford Latham Park

MORE INFORMATION

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